

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 Jun 59	2. LOCATION Washington, D.C.	12. CONCLUSIONS
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2.04/0300Z</u> GMT <u>04/0300Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1. 20 - 30 secs 2. 2 mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE W to E
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1. Orange colored obj, about the size of Jupiter, traveled in a flat trajectory fm horizon to horizon. 2. Copy info fm 04/0300Z card Large, orange, star-shaped obj, somewhat like very large satellite. Very bright. Obj traveled horizontally across sky. Manner of disappearance was obscured by trees.		11. COMMENTS It is concluded that the obj was probably a fireball of unusual endurance. Correlated w/additional rpt. Possible overestimation on duration of second rpt.

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1959 JUN 4 *Alta*

UFO

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

UNCLASSIFIED

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TO: BOLLING AFB, WASHINGTON, D. C.	KFEZBL
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ATTN: INTELLIGENCE OFFICER	
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/UNCLAS/ FROM: AFCIN-4E4g cite 6-1167-E

REF MSG OG 000IF, DTD 4 JUNE 1959, FROM BASE OPERATION, YOUR STATION. INFO CONTAINED IN SUBJ REPORT IS LIMITED IN NATURE, PRECLUDING AN ANALYSIS. REQUEST AN INVESTIGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, DTD 5 FEB 1958.

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E4 Gen. of Div. DATE 5 Jun 59
COL RETHMAN

AFCIN-4E Mont DATE 9/5/59
COL HOFFMAN

DATE 5	TIME 0822
MONTH JUNE	YEAR 1959

SYMBOL AFCIN-4E4s TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE MAJOR ROBERT J. FRIEND	SIGNATURE
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<p>/UNCLASSIFIED/ FROM: AFCIN-4E48 7-1542-E</p> <p>ATTN INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, OUR MSG AFCIN-4E48 6-1167-E, DTD</p> <p>5 JUNE 1959, REQUESTING AN INVESTIGATION OF AN UFO SIGHTING.</p> <p>REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE INFORMED OF THE STATUS OF SUBJECT INVESTIGATION.</p>									
<p>COORDINATION:</p> <p>AFCIN-4E48 <u>Major J. Gray</u> DATE <u>6-16-59</u> <u>for Col Rethman</u></p> <p>AFCIN-4E <u>Robert</u> DATE <u>7-20-59</u> <u>Col Hoffman</u></p>									
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<p>SYMBOL AFCIN-4E48</p> <p>WRITER Major Robert J. Friend</p> <p>TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature, if handwritten)</p> <p>PHONE 69216 PAGE 1 NR. OF 1 PAGES</p> <p>SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED</p>			<p>SIGNATURE <u>Ray M. Duke Jr.</u></p> <p>RELEASED TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE ROY M. DUKE, JR CAPT 1959 5.00</p>						

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OBSERVER CONTACTED BUT WAS UNABLE TO GIVE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NOT ALREADY SUPPLIED IN INITIAL UFO REPORT OF 4 JUN 1959.

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June 4 1959

Headquarters, U. S. Air Force
Pentagon, Washington DC.

Attention: Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) Division

Dear Sirs:

^{1/2} I wish to report an unusual "sighting" made last evening by my wife and ^{1/2} from the top of the [REDACTED] in which we live.

The object "rose" in the west at approximately the same point where the sun, that afternoon, had set. We had gone up on the roof about 11 p.m. and were about to descend when we both saw, almost from the instant of its first appearance, an object which seemed like a very distant ball and which moved at a very fast rate of speed from horizon to horizon. It moved from west to east, disappearing over the eastern horizon, and no noise of any kind accompanied it. It was orange in color and its apparent size seemed about that of Jupiter, [REDACTED] which, at the time, was visible to the south of us and well up in the sky; Venus was clearly visible, and very white, a little north of west of where we stood. I thought the object was orange in the direction of yellow on the spectrum, my wife thought it was reddish orange (we were a little excited at the amazing sight, I guess, which caught us completely unprepared for detailed and objective observing). We estimated that the object required from 20 to 30 seconds to pass across the sky. Counting back the minutes after it disappeared (and after we recovered our composure) we estimate that it was visible to us during part of the minute from 2302 and 2303 EDT.

I am a retired Air Force officer, following 14 years of service which ended in October 1955, and I know 1) that this was no ~~xxxx~~ aircraft. It had no pulsating light, as aircraft always show over inhabited areas and near airports. There was no green light as it came toward us and no red light as it moved away. It was a steady, unchanging orange light that never varied throughout its entire trajectory. We debated whether it could have been a light on the belly of a fast-moving jet, but it seems impossible that such a light would have been visible when the object was low on the horizon when it rose, and again when it was low on the horizon when it set. I feel equally sure it was 2) no meteor, for it was visible ~~xxxx~~ for nearly half a minute, left no "trail," and had a trajectory so flat as to have ruled it out as a meteor as far as anything I have ever seen or read about meteors' paths (I have made a hobby of astronomy for years and am a past member of the Amateur Astronomers Association of New York). We also know 3) that it was neither Venus nor ~~Jupiter~~ Jupiter for we both noted its position relative to these two planets during the "long" period of its transit.

We are deeply interested in this matter and would appreciate hearing anything you could inform us about it, also whether you have had any other reports about it. Neither one of us is likely to feel "swept off our feet" by a sighting like this, but we definitely feel we have seen something very real and very unusual.

Sincerely yours,

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Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lt. Col. (Ret.)
U. S. Air Force

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Washington 8, D.C.

Copies: Wright-Patterson AFB
Vandenberg AFB
Naval Observatory, Washington DC

P.S. I am former [REDACTED] of the Hq USAF periodical "Air Intelligence Digest" (1948-52) and the "FEAF Intelligence Roundup" (1952-55).

UFO ANALYSIS SHEEP

Location WASHINGTON, D.C.

Date 3 JUNE 1959

Hour (Z) 2302 20-DS

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WX Case

Description Approximately the size of Jester.

REDDISH - ORANGE OR YELLOW - ORANGE.

Direction of Motion West to East.

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone ~~████████~~) Object first seen Acquired
APPROX. 253 $^{\circ}$ EAST seen 113 $\frac{1}{2}$ $^{\circ}$ < VELOCITY 123 $^{\circ}$ /30 SEC TOO FAST

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) observed ence
But most probably a METEOR.

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) _____

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc)

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. < Velocity much too fast

FOR AIRCRAFT. - ABSENCE OF NOISE PUTS OBJECT SOME DISTANCE AWAY.

Other Possible search light, later witness found
have seen the team on a clear night.

Evaluation of Source Reliability *Proceedings 1990 - 1*

Analysis and Conclusions: At 250 miles when first seen object would have to travel a speed of approximately 63,800 m.p.h. It is from these figures that the angle of 123° in 10 seconds, etc.

THIS OBJECT HAS FOR THE INDICATIONS OF A FIRE-BALL
OF AN UNCONSCIOUSLY LONG DURATION -- THE OBSERVATION
AND THE SPEEDS FITS, CONSIDER THE ABSENCE OF STOTTER
WHICH IS HAD TO CONSIDERED -- .

It is conceded that the witness
presently signs a "formal" or commercial engagement
Agreed.